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1. MARVIN KALB--CBS-RADIO FROM PEKING - (KALB DESCRIBES A TRIP TO THE GREAT WALL) -- AT THE FOOT OF THE GREAT WALL SOME CHINESE LOOKED UP FROM THEIR NEWSPAPERS AND GREETED US WITH A BIG SMILE, THEY MIGHT HAVE SMILED ANYWAY BUT THEY WERE ENCOURAGED TO SMILE BY TWO PICTURES OF CHAIRMAN MAO WITH SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER ON THE FRONT PAGE OF PEOPLE'S DAILY, THE NUMBER ONE NEWSPAPER HERE. A BANNER HEADLINE READS, QTE CHAIRMAN MAO MEETS WITH SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER, UNQTE THE SUB-HEADLINE READS, QTE CHAIRMAN MAO CONDUCTED WIDE RANGING CONVERSATIONS WITH HIM IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE. UNQTE IT IS THE FIRST TIME THE WORD QTE FRIENDLY UNQTE IS USED TO DESCRIBE SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONS....BEYOND THE MONGOLIAN BORDER, TWO HUNDRED MILES TO THE NORTH ARE ONE MILLION SOVIET TROOPS, THE CHINESE SMILE AT THE AMERICANS, WELCOME TO THE GREAT WALL THEY SAY.

2. JAY BUSHINSKI--GROUP W NEWS FROM TEL AVIV - A LEADING ISRAELI CABINET MINISTER BELIEVES THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS THE ULTIMATE BENEFICIARY OF THE WESTERN WORLD'S CASH
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OUTLAY FOR ARAB OIL. TRANSPORT MINISTER PERES SAID THE

OIL PRODUCING ARAB STATES HAVE BEEN CHANNELLING THEIR DOLLAR EARNINGS FOR PURCHASES OF SOVIET MILITARY EQUIPMENT WHICH HAS BEEN REPEATEDLY DESTROYED BY ISRAELI FORCES IN

IN THREE WARS AND A WAR OF ATTRITION. PERES CONTENDED THAT THE WESTERN EUROPEAN STATES MADE A MISTAKE BY GIVING IN TO WHAT HE TERMED ARAB BLACKMAIL; INSTEAD HE PROPOSED THAT COUNTER BOYCOTT BY THESE COUNTRIES SUGGESTING THAT THEY THREATEN TO STOP SELLING THE OIL PRODUCERS MACHINERY AND FOOD.

3. BRUNO WASSERTHILE--CBS-RADIO FROM TEL AVIV - A SHOW-DOWN IS EXPECTED TODAY BETWEEN DEFENSE MINISTER DAYAN AND UN GENERAL SIILASVUO OVER WHAT IS BEING CALLED HERE THE QTE BATTLE OF THE CHECK POINTS UNQTE. YESTERDAY ISRAELI FORCES DISMANTLED WHAT THEY CONSIDERED TO BE AN UNAUTHORIZED CHECKPOINT SET UP BY UN FORCES ON THE ROAD TO CAIRO JUST OUTSIDE THE CITY OF SUEZ. EARLIER THE ISRAELI TROOPS HAD TURNED OVER THEIR OWN CHECKPOINT AT KILOMETER 101 TO UN PERSONNEL. WHAT THE BATTLE BOILS DOWN TO IS WHO WILL HAVE EFFECTIVE MILITARY CONTROL OVER THE SUPPLY CORRIDOR GOING TO THE EGYPTIAN THIRD ARMY. ISRAEL CLAIMS THAT THE SIX POINT AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH EGYPT DOES NOT OBLIGE IT TO RELINQUISH CONTROL OVER THE CORRIDOR. EGYPT AND APPARENTLY THE UN BELIEVE IT DOES. RELIABLE ISRAELI SOURCES SAY THAT KISSINGER GAVE ISRAEL A WRITTEN GUARANTEE THAT THE CORRIDOR WILL REMAIN IN ISRAELI HANDS. THERE IS A GROWING FEELING HERE THAT KISSINGER MAY YET HAVE TO MAKE A RETURN TRIP TO THE ME TO STRAIGHTEN OUT THE MESS HIMSELF BEFORE THIS STILL SHAKY CEASEFIRE BEGINS TO CRUMBLE.

NOTE---BRUNO WASSERTHILE ON CBS AT SIX LAST EVENING REPORTED ON THE CHECKPOINT PROBLEM AS DID BERT QUINT ON CBS-TV AT SEVEN WITH A FILM OF THE SITUATION ON THE CAIRO-SUEZ ROAD. RUSH

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